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Column One
By David Courtney

THE belief—it was almost a fear — that the Bonn Chancellor, Dr. Adenauer, might be willing to talk over the matter of German unity with Herr Grotewohl, can now be dismissed. It is being suggested that the reports of cabinet readiness to enter into some kind of exploratory negotiation with Eastern Germany, were deliberately put out from Bonn as a contributory means of blackmailing the West into revising the Occupation Statute well beyond what was contemplated at Brussels, in return for Bonn's willingness to play its part in Atlantic Defence. The Germans retort that not they, but the Occupation authorities, are the blackmailers, by insisting, as a condition for turning the Occupation Statute into what would be, in effect, a peace treaty, that the Bonn Federal Government should take over responsibility for Reich debts and should guarantee to make raw materials, notably coal, available for export.

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DR. Adenauer's snubbing of Herr Grotewohl's unity feelers are not likely to be taken as West Germany's last word on the subject. Apart from the usefulness of the problem as a threat to brandish in front of the Occupation authorities, there is a genuine feeling among the West German public in favour of unity and neutrality, at least for the time being, in preference to disunity and a partial rearmament, which the East must regard as provocative. It should suprise no one if the Russians do all in their considerable power to foster this attitude. In return, the Western powers may feel compelled to go on conceding in the matter of the Occupation Statute, and to give Dr. Adenauer some assurance of a military defensive screen, to be provided by the United States, Britain and France, behind which the Bonn Government can re-arm.

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FROM reports originating in East Germany one gets the impression that the East Germans are hardly less nervous than those of the West, and for much the same reason. They, too, are beginning to ask if the proposed Four-Power Conference will result in a German "sell-out." It is said that Herr Ulbricht, General Secretary of the Socialist Unity Party, who returned to Berlin just before the New Year from a three weeks' visit to Russia, brought with him an assurance very much on the lines of the assurance given the West Germans by Mr. McCloy at Christmas. The Russian offer to disband the militarized police units in East Germany, which was made in the original proposal for a Four-Power Conference on Germany, is reported to have caused real anxiety, and the East German leaders have been saying, in common with Pastor Niemoller, that the only alternative to a unified Germany is a rearmament plan in the East on the same scale as the rearmament plan finally decided upon for the West.

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THE likelihood is far from clear. Both Russia and the West are unsure of the extent to which they could rely upon German loyalty if the nation were remilitarized and a European war breaks out. There has been a great deal of talk about another Tauroggen. The example of York von Wartenburg, who in 1812, on the eve of battle, led his army over to the Russians against Napoleon, has been cited on both sides of the Elbe over and over again during the past few weeks. On the whole, the advantage of having Germany, or part of Germany, as an ally, is not in all respects attractive, either to the Western Powers or to Russia, or for that matter, in the present circumstances, to the Germans themselves. The doubts and anxieties on both sides of the Elbe, regarding the outcome of the proposed Four-Power talks, in a way are another reason why the conference should be held. The Germans, pestering arrogantly in the international auction mart, have been over-valued. Their price needs to be written down. It should be a main purpose of the Four-Power conference to write it down.

Tel Aviv, January 17.

P.E.C. to Supply Additional Current To Jerusalem

The Government had authorized the Palestine Electric Corporation to supply additional power for Jerusalem's requirements, Mr. M. Schattner, head of the Jerusalem Development Authority, disclosed yesterday.

The announcement was made at a meeting of the Jerusalem branch of the Manufacturers Association, at which he charged that the Jerusalem Electric Corporation had failed to abide by its agreement to increase the capital's electricity supply.

Mr. Schattner asserted that the Jerusalem firm had recently been permitted to raise its tariffs on the basis that additional foreign capital would be raised by the company to permit an expansion of its services.

He noted that after the Government found that the company could not raise the capital, it had authorized the P.E.C. to erect new lines from Kfar Uriah to Baris from which the additional current will be carried into the capital via the Jerusalem firm's lines.

High Transport Rates

Mr. N. Lifshitz, chairman of the Jerusalem branch of the Association, noting that it was more expensive to ship some goods from Haifa to Jerusalem than from New York to Haifa, called for a reduction in transportation rates. He also asked the Government to continue its aid in the capital's development.

Mr. A. Shenkar, President of the Association, warned that the country's present "economic war" was more difficult to win that the War of Independence.

Stressing the need for further modernization of local industries, he said, "It is the only way that Israel products will be able to compete with foreign merchandise on the international market."

He said that more capital equipment had been brought into the country recently, but that the situation was difficult because of the shortage of raw materials.

Dr. A. Biran, District Representative, was among those present.

Electric Curbs Now Voluntary

The Palestine Electric Corporation yesterday stressed that reductions in the consumption of electricity between 4.30 p.m. and 8 p.m. daily and between 9 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on Fridays, were voluntary.

The public is requested to cooperate by generally curtailing consumption and in particular by refraining from using current for cooking and heating at the same time during these hours.

Although a Government Order of January 4, 1951 provides that no electricity may be used for cooking, baking and heating between the hours of 7.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. and 8 p.m., except by permission of the Corporation, it was not intended to enforce these restrictions fully at present.

Changes by Radio

Should it prove necessary to enforce these restrictions, the public will be notified by radio announcement.

The Corporation also pointed out that the use of electric waterboilers in bathrooms is prohibited except between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., and that no new appliances may be connected without first obtaining the company's consent.

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Israel Presents German Claims to Four Powers

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Official notes on Jewish claims for restitution, indemnification, reparations and transfers from Germany were today submitted to the Governments of the U.S., Britain, France and the USSR in identical notes.

Those to the Western governments were handed over in Washington, London and France by Israel's representatives. The note to the Soviet government, which was slightly different from the others because of the special conditions prevailing in the Eastern Zone of Germany, was handed to Mr. M. I. Sfoukhine, the Soviet Charge d'Affaires in Tel Aviv, for technical reasons.

The notes are understood to deal with individual claims of former German Jews now resident in Israel, and to request the occupying powers to adapt their machinery in Germany in such a way as to ensure that these claims will be met.

The notes are believed to have been submitted at this juncture as a result of the recent declaration by the Western Powers that they regarded the state of war with Germany as terminated. The contents of the notes are understood to have been under preparation for some time.

No contact has been made or sought by the Israel Government direct with the Bonn government. An official Government statement on the notes will be issued tomorrow.

Estimates of Restitution

Various estimates of the total amount of Jewish claims from Germany have been made, some as high as IL.1,000m. Claims by Israel residents from the Western Zone of Germany may be as high as IL.500m.

Restitution claims are for damage or loss of property incurred in Germany, while indemnification claims are for loss of rights, salaries, liberties, and others. The notes also deal with the problem of the transfer to Israel of any sums of money awarded as a result of such claims.

Owners Reject Metal Workers' Pay Demands; Histadrut Replies

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The exchange of letters between the Histadrut Executive and the Manufacturers' Association on the question of wage increases, particularly for metal workers, was published by the Histadrut tonight.

The Association in effect rejected the metal workers' demands, while the Histadrut maintained that wage increases in the industry could be granted without raising prices.

Mr. Arye Shenkar, President of the Association, wrote on January 12 that, after due consideration the producers had concurred with the opinion of the Minister of Trade and Industry that wages should not be increased, and with the Minister of Finance that increases should be linked with greater output and efficiency.

Arbitrary wage increases, he said, would have to be followed by boosts in prices. Mr. Shenkar added that the Association had informed the Government that they regarded the system of premiums for output the best way of increasing both industrial production and wages.

In his reply dated January 15, Mr. A. Becker, head of the Histadrut's Trade Union Section, said that he regarded the reply of the Manufacturers' Association to the Histadrut demand for changes in labour contracts for 1951 as negative. The Histadrut could not accept the opinion that wage increases would mean higher prices for commodities, although it regarded increased efficiency and output as essential for the country's economy.

Production Boards

He pointed out that the seventh Histadrut Conference had discussed this problem at great length, and had decided to foster the setting up of production boards in factories for this purpose. Throughout the past year the Histadrut had appealed to the Association for cooperation in this respect, without results. Mr. Becker pointed out that the Association as a whole had adopted a negative attitude, and had apparently instructed its members not to negotiate with the Histadrut for the establishment of such councils in their factories.

Meanwhile, the Histadrut had gone ahead with its plans and had sent workers abroad to study efficiency measures in factories in other countries, but the success of the scheme depended on cooperation between labour and management.

In view of this, the Histadrut could see no point in linking the metal workers' demands for pay increases with the question of premiums for output, especially in view of the Histadrut's opinion that the industry could pay higher wages without increasing prices.

Mr. Becker stated that the Histadrut Executive would therefore back the metal workers' demands, and trusted that the Association would see its way clear to reverse its refusal to discuss amendments to the labour contracts for the coming year.

In conclusion Mr. Becker said that the Histadrut would welcome any step taken by the Association regarding the setting up of joint production councils in factories, based on output norms.

M.A.C. Appeal Group Meets for 4 Hours

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A four-hour meeting of the Special Appeals Commission, set up under the Israel-Egyptian Armistice Agreement, was held at Auja el Hafir today.

The meeting was opened at 11 o'clock under the chairmanship of Major-General William Riley, U.N. Chief of Staff. It is understood that a further meeting will be held in about ten days' time, after General Riley has clarified certain legal points.

At the start of the meeting Israel's representatives, Sgan-Aloof Y. Harakahi, formerly head of Israel's M.A.C. delegations, and Mr. S. Rosenne, Legal Adviser to the Foreign Minister, who attended all armistice negotiations, put Israel's case before the Commission. Egypt was represented by Colonel Ismail Sharif and Lieut.-Col. Riad.

League to Study New Blockade Methods

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — The seven-nation Arab League Political Committee, due to meet in Cairo on Saturday, will consider measures to tighten the economic blockade of Israel, Arab sources here said today.

They said the League had received information that Cyprus had become the main centre for smuggling food and goods to Israel.

Member states were reported to have complained that the Lebanon was exercising little control of ships in transit through its ports.

The League was also said to have received a report of increased trade between the Sudan and Israel. The Egyptian authorities recently made representations to the Sudan government, but officials in Khartoum maintained that there was nothing to prevent such trade because Britain, as one of the powers administering the Sudan, had recognized Israel.

The League will also consider reports of smuggling from Gaza.

Threat of Gov't Crisis Eases

Reports that another Government crisis was likely as the result of recurrent friction between the Religious Bloc and the rest of the Coalition in the matter of religious education proved unfounded last night after two sessions of the Coalition Committee.

The Committee will meet again after the Inter-Ministerial Committee on education in the *ma'abarot* submits its report.

The Mapai Party has remained firm throughout the talks of the past few days in its insistence in the right to set up Histadrut Religious Schools in the immigrants' settlements, for whose orthodoxy the Government Education Department would be responsible.

Mapai would accept no compromise and if the Religious Bloc were to insist that only Mizrahi and Agudat Israel schools be accepted as religious, then Mapai would advocate the dissolution of the Knesset. The threat of dissolving the coalition had previously been made by spokesmen of the Religious Bloc.

There is as yet no Election Law on the Statute Book, however, and the preparation of new elections would take at least six months, according to Knesset sources.

Italy's New Minister Arrives Here

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Marchese Raimondo Giustiniani, the new Italian Minister to Israel, arrived in the s.s. Abbazia yesterday. He was received by representatives of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and by members of the Italian Legation and Consulates.

The Minister later left for Tel Aviv.

Six U.S. Atom Bombers Land in Britain

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — Six American B-36 atom bombers carrying full wartime crews and combat armament landed here for the first time today.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A bill calling for 10 years imprisonment and a fine of IL.10,000 for "unauthorized contact" with foreign agents, a "second Pelli" in all but name, was introduced into the U.S. Senate yesterday by Senator McCarran.

Bribe Offering To Be Punishable

The offering of a bribe to an official will become punishable with the same severity as the accepting of a bribe, under an amendment to the Criminal Code introduced by the Minister of Justice, Mr Pinhas Rosen, in the Knesset yesterday. Under this amendment bribery, effected or attempted, of Government or Municipal officials would be punishable by imprisonment of up to three years and a fine up to IL.10,000, while an attempt to bribe a judge would be punishable with up to five years in prison. Officials of public institutions would be considered government officials for the purpose of the law.

The severity of the punishment was in accordance with the precepts of traditional Jewish law. At present, persons offering bribes are not liable to punishment.

"Adequate wages for Government officials are as important as a good anti-bribery law to guarantee honest service," Dr. Rosen observed during his speech. He was glad the Government was endeavouring to improve its employees' wages. The amendment was the first of a series of bills the Cabinet intended to bring before the Knesset to improve the present Criminal Code.

While Rabbi H. Sha'ag (Religious Bloc) thought the bill was deficient in not declaring that the guilty man should be degrived of his official position, Mrs. F. Ilani (Mapam) argued that such an official should be given a position in which he would not be offered bribes; it was not good to deprive a man of his means of livelihood.

The discussion will be continued today.

U.S. Diplomats In Middle East to Meet

ISTANBUL, Tuesday (AP). — Heads of American diplomatic missions in the Middle East will meet here on February 14 for an important week-long conference to be attended by Admiral Robert C. Carney, commander of American naval forces in the eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean, and Mr. George McGhee, chief of the State Department's Middle East and North African Division.

World Peace Dependent On Kashmir-Liaquat

LONDON, Tuesday (AP). — Pakistan's Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan warned today that the peace of Asia and the world depends on a settlement of the Pakistani-Indian dispute over Kashmir.

Mr. Nehru said at an earlier press conference that India had always held that the Kashmir issue should be decided by referendum.

Liaquat Ali told a press conference that the Commonwealth leaders in top secret talks over the weekend put forward three suggestions, which he accepted, and Indian Prime Minister Nehru opposed. They were:

1. India and Pakistan together should station a combined force in Kashmir to maintain internal security while the plebiscite was being taken.

2. The U.N. plebiscite administrator, Admiral Chester Nimitz, should be authorized to raise a local Kashmir force to maintain internal peace and all other troops should be withdrawn.

3. Forces from other Commonwealth nations, such as Australia and New Zealand, should be put in Kashmir.

C-in-C, Prince Indicted In Egypt Arms Case

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — The commander-in-chief of the Egyptian navy and a prince of the Egyptian royal family were among 13 men officially indicted today in the arms scandal which involved about £3m.

The Prince, Abbas Halim, was accused of having bought defective arms and having "squandered $907,440." Admiral Ahmed Hady Bey, naval chief, was accused of fraud in connection with the purchase of an oil tanker.

The indictment, published after several months of secret investigation, also involved a Swiss and an Italian firm.

Nehru Reports to U.K. on China Reply; U.N. Advance to Suwon

Allies Withdraw From City After Dark; Retreat in Centre

TOKYO, Tuesday (Reuter). — U.N. tanks today entered Suwon, but withdrew after dark, presumably to defensive positions south of the city. Earlier, their main forces had withdrawn to shortened lines south of Wonju in the centre.

Tanks racing north up the west coast road through recaptured Osan, brushed aside resistance to their 15 kms. drive today. Then they fought briefly in the streets of Suwon itself — in one of their first aggressive actions since the retreat at the end of last year — before the Communists broke off and fled.

Mass air attacks and a non-stop artillery barrage screened the U.N. withdrawal from the Sonju salient yesterday, it was announced. The troops, after holding off 50,000 Chinese and North Koreans for 16 days, pulled back from the thumb-shaped bulge jutting north from the main defence line, to straighter positions.

Tonight, as they strengthened their posts, they stood ready to meet any Communist drive for two vital mountain passes about 110 kms. north of Taegu, U.N. H.Q. in the southeast. Command of these passes — only main road routes through the 1,000 metre high central mountain range — would enable the Communists to fan out south of the Naktong river.

Truce Reported 'Not Rejected Outright'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Nehru of India has passed on to the British government preliminary reports of China's attitude to the new Korea cease-fire proposals, usually well-informed diplomatic quarters believed today.

A report on China's attitude was understood to have been transmitted through the Indian Ambassador in Peking. According to reports from India, the Chinese government had not rejected the new plan out of hand.

A Foreign Office spokesman was questioned at a press conference today on the accuracy of a statement attributed to Mr. Nehru that the recent declaration of Commonwealth Prime Ministers had admitted China's claim to Formosa.

Cairo Declaration

The spokesman said that the Commonwealth declaration contained a reference to the relevance of existing international agreements such as the Potsdam agreement and the war-time Cairo declaration.

Those present interpreted this reply to mean that the Commonwealth governments stand by the declared intention of the Cairo declaration to restore Formosa to China

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'Ike' Told of UK's Defence Programme

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). —General Dwight D. Eisenhower left London today by air for Lisbon after Britain's top defence planners satisfied him that before the end of this year he will have behind him a Britain stronger than ever before in peace-time. The Middle East will form one of Eisenhower's three Atlantic Pact Zones, and a rough blueprint for its defence has been agreed upon by Britain and the Commonwealth.

The British military chiefs of staff told the Supreme Commander of Atlantic Pact forces:

1. Britain's arms bill over the next three years will be boosted to nearly £5,000 million in place of the earlier £3,000 million programme.

2. Armament orders amounting to £450 million have already been placed, and industry is being geared up.

3. Workers engaged in arms production will total 750,000 by the end of March.

4. [illegible] to an paper for an experimental call-up of over 100,000 [illegible] reservists (veterans of World War II) for three months training.

5. Production of tanks and planes will be doubled and four new army divisions organized in the next year or so.

6. Britain will probably station four army divisions instead of three in Germany under the Atlantic Pact organization.

7. Britain and the Commonwealth countries have agreed on a rough blueprint for the defence of the Middle East, which, with the eastern Mediterranean, will form one of General Eisenhower's three Atlantic Pact zones. The others are Scandinavia and Western Europe.

The new rearmament plan has still to be passed by the Cabinet. The austerity it will bring to the British home is a formidable political problem for Prime Minister Attlee and his ministers. Treasury experts have still to make their report.

French Halt Enemy Drive On Hanoi

SAIGON, Tuesday. (AP). — French troops have halted new attacks by 20,000 Communist-led Vietminh troops aimed at Hanoi, north Indo-China capital, it was announced tonight.

A French army communique said that the Moscow-trained Vietminh leader, Ho Chi Minh, has thrown 10,000 new troops into the all-out assault to seize Hanoi. Earlier, the French had estimated his force at 20,000 men. Two French mobile task forces have contained the Vietminh drive on an 18 km. front about 50 kms. northwest of Hanoi.

Taking advantage of the flat, unscreened terrain, French artillery and fighter planes gave maximum support to the badly outnumbered French infantry. Thirty Vietminh battalions, attacking on a narrow front, were inviting fully frontal combat for the first time.

The communique reported that the battle, which was resumed this morning after a relatively quiet night, was broken off again this afternoon.

Officials sources disclosed here today that the French government has rejected demands by Chinese Nationalists that some 20,000 Nationalist troops interned in Indo-China be rearmed and returned to Formosa for duty.

U.S. Won't Accept Truce Reservations

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — A State Department spokesman today warned that the U.S. will not agree to a cease-fire in Korea if the Chinese Communists attach reservations to an acceptance of the U.N. truce proposal.

He said the U.S. would ask the U.N. to brand China an aggressor if she rejects the plan as set forth in the note to Peking.

The spokesman emphasized that actual fighting must stop before the U.S. will consider any other questions.

Mr. Harold Stassen, President of Pennsylvania University, last night urged the U.S. to support a programme of "counter-revolution" to help people in Russia and elsewhere whose governments denied them freedom.

'Pravda': U.S. Guilty Of Bad Faith on Truce

MOSCOW, Tuesday (AP). — "Pravda" today attacked the "cease-fire plan of the Committee of Three" and labelled it a device by which the Americans intend to gain time to reinforce their Korean forces and reorganize them for continued hostilities.

A lengthy article from "Pravda's" correspondent at Lake Success, A. Rassadin, said the Americans have no intentions whatsoever of bringing the Korean war to an end.

He said, on the contrary, General Collins' recent declaration is categorical proof that the U.S., by agreeing to the plan proposed by the Committee of Three, was guilty of bad faith and duplicity.

FAO to Send Two Land Experts To Assist Israel Agriculture

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA). — Two technical assistance experts will leave for Israel in the near future under the auspices of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization as a result of an agreement signed today at F.A.O. headquarters by Ambassador A. Eban and Dr. F. T. Wahlen, chief of the organization's expanded technical assistance programme.

The experts will advise Israel for a one year period. One of them will be a specialist in land use who will determine which lands are best adapted for grazing, forestry and crop production. The second will be a range management expert with special knowledge of semi-arid conditions prevailing in much of Israel. Both of them will assist Israel, Mr. Eban said, to "raise the productive capacity of our agriculture and thus enable us to absorb into our economy the great mass of immigrants arriving at our shores."

Mr. Eban expressed that Israel is ready to place the knowledge and experience "gathered in the course of its memorable period of constructive pioneering at the service of other U.N. members, if they so desire." He expressed the "deep appreciation" of Israel for the "generous and sympathetic" attitude of the F.A.O.

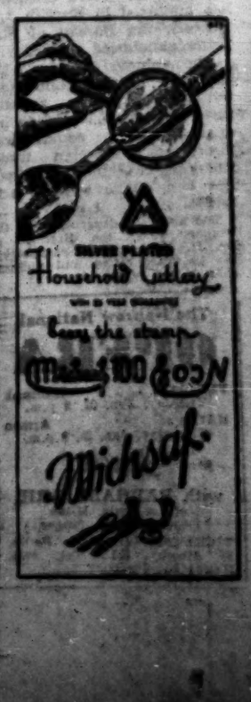
Dr. Wahlen said that "we realize that some of the finest specialists are living in Israel and working on the very acute problem of their settlement. We are glad that Israel will be able to make its contribution to the F.A.O. and profit from the cooperation of the experts from other countries and their agencies will also profit."

UK Denies Officers Held for ME Spying

CAIRO, Tuesday (AP). — The Cairo newspaper, "A-Nida," said today — and the statement was immediately branded as untrue by British spokesmen — that eight British army officers are charged with stealing the defence plans of the Middle East from a British headquarters in the Suez Canal zone.

A British army spokesman said the report is "absolutely wrong" and a British embassy spokesman said, "Charges have been made against an unfortunately high number of officers for dipping into the till in various ways, but no question of espionage is involved."

The army spokesman, however, confirmed a report in "A-Nida" that Major E.W. Rudling had been dismissed from the service and sentenced to five years imprisonment for defalcations found in army and regimental funds in his care.



Social & Personal

Mr. Reuven Shiloah, Adviser on Special Affairs to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was received yesterday by President Weizmann in Rehovot.

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Mme. Jean du Bois, wife of the Belgian Minister to Israel, left by Sabena plane for Brussels yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crossman left for London by BOAC plane last night, after a short visit to Israel.

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Mr. Emrys Hughes, British Member of Parliament, and Mrs. Hughes left Israel by BOAC last night, after a two-week visit.

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Mr. Nathan Morris, Director of the Jewish Agency's Department of Education and Culture for the Diaspora, returned to Israel from a visit to England and France, where he participated in the World Congress for Hebrew Education which was organized by the Department. He also visited the U.S. and Canada.

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Mr. A. de Leeuw, Director of the Planning Division in the Ministry of Agriculture, has returned by K.L.M. from a mission in the U.S. and Holland in connection with irrigation plans.

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Mr. Yosef Leinkarm has been appointed Director of the Metal and Machines Division of the Ministry of Trade and Industry, which includes the Building Materials subdivision headed by Mr. A. Noy. Mr. Leinkarm has been director of the Metal Industries Division of the Manufacturers' Association since 1947.

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Mr. Mark Jaffee, Director and General Manager of the Palestine Corporation, Limited, has returned to Jerusalem from a business trip to England.

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Mr. Erwin Savelson, correspondent of the "New York Mirror" and editor of the B'nai B'rith "Metropolitan Star" in New York, has arrived in Israel on a short visit and is participating in various B'nai B'rith conferences here.

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Isa Kremer arrived in Israel from New York by K.L.M. yesterday to give a series of song recitals.

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Mr. Abraham Friedman, representative of Kaiser-Frazer in Israel, has returned from a business trip abroad.

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Mr. B.A. Ettlinger, K.C., President of the South African Board of Deputies and Acting Supreme Court Judge, will speak on "The Jewish Position in South Africa" at tomorrow's luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

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Mrs. N. Naftali will speak on "Social Relations in Kindergartens" at the Wizo Club in Jerusalem at 4.30 this evening.

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A Tu b'Shvat Ball in aid of the new hospital for paralysed and crippled children will be held at the King David Hotel at 9 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets may be bought at the offices of the Society for Crippled Children, 3 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem, Tel. 2574. Double IL.4.500, Single IL.2.500.

BIRTHS

SELZER — To Emma-Noemi (nee Divinska), wife of Mr. Joseph Selzer, on January 15, 1951, at the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem, — a daughter, Ruth-Minna.

BRITH MILAH

The Brith Milah of the infant son of Mr. & Mrs. I. Mandelbaum will take place on January 20, at 10 a.m. at the Government Hospital, Haifa. All relatives, colleagues and friends are cordially invited.

Statistics Yearbook For 5710 Out

The Statistical Yearbook for 5710, surveying the demographic, economic and social changes during the first two years of the State's existence has appeared in English and Hebrew, the Bureau of Statistics announced yesterday.

The volume includes 113 charts on climate, population, immigration, health, agriculture, fishing, construction, industry, labour, communications, prices, foreign trade, finances, education, law, police and public welfare activities.

The publicity department of the Bureau, under the direction of Dr. H. Tauber, was responsible for the preparation and publication of the book.

The Hebrew National
OPERA
TEL AVIV: Habimah Tuesday, Jan. 23, 9 p.m.
HAIFA: Armon Thursday, Jan. 25, 9 p.m.
Faust
with RAPHAEL ARIE
of La Scala, Milan
Conductor: S. Singer
TICKETS: Tel Aviv: Satin, 97 Allenby Rd., Tel. 3022. Haifa: K. Ginsburg.

First 'Blue-Baby' Operations Here

GENEVA, Tuesday (USIS). — The first "blue-baby" operations ever carried out in Israel were performed by surgeons of the U.N. World Health Organization team of Danish thoracic surgery specialists who recently spent a fortnight in Israel. The specialists also performed similar operations in Turkey.

The specialists conducted classes in heart surgery methods and on congenital diseases. The demonstrations in heart surgery marked a substantial advance in medical practice in the two countries, according to the report.

W.H.O. pointed out that Israel and Turkish surgeons will now be in a position to perform congenital heart disease surgery with medical and surgical equipment supplied by the Organization.

W.H.O. REPORTS ON 'FLU

GENEVA, Tuesday, (AP). — The present influenza epidemic in Europe cannot be compared in spread or severity with the serious epidemics in the early part of the century, the World Health Organization said today.

At the same time, the WHO warned that the epidemic's two main centres in northern Europe and in Spain appear to be "on the point of joining across France."

"So far," the W.H.O. report said, "complications are rare and the mortality rate remains very low. It is true on the other hand, that influenza, however mild, can be fatal for the aged or for people suffering from heart disease."

Pharmacists See Ministers On Lack of Stocks

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Pharmacists Union is at present negotiating with various Ministries on the import of medicines and chemicals without foreign exchange.

Up to now, small quantities of basic pharmaceutical goods have trickled into Israel from Britain, the U.S. and Holland.

Many basic medicines, including penicillin, streptomycin, sulfa preparations, calcium, Vitamin B, and folic acid (a new preparation against anaemia), have not been available to the public for some time.

No Glass for Ampoules

Local pharmaceutical laboratories have no glass for ampoules, and have ceased production of injections, and of some of the basic ingredients, such as glycerine, iodine and perhydrol, which are also used in the cosmetics industry. Silver nitrate, which is used both in the manufacture of mirrors and pharmaceutical preparations, is not available, nor is sodium benzoate, an ingredient for jam production.

So far, pharmacists say, prescriptions can still be supplied if the physicians do not insist on patent medicines. They complain that there are no supplies of adhesive plaster, cotton wool, or lignine, and that there is a shortage of bandages, gauze and thermometers.

CONVENTION CENTRE OFFICE IN LONDON

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — Mr. Edwin Samuel arrived here by B.O.A.C. plane from London yesterday, after a three-month stay in Europe on behalf of the Jerusalem Convention Centre.

The Centre has opened an office in London, Mr. Samuel said, and has registered with the International Exhibitions Office in Paris. In addition, material was bought abroad to help complete the buildings now under construction in Jerusalem.

IL.968,345 were spent last year by the Tel Aviv Municipality in keeping the city clean. This accounted for 12.7 per cent of the regular budget.

CHAIR OF HEBREW AT U.S. UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA). — New York University's chair of Hebrew Culture which was established in 1944 will be endowed in perpetuity through a fund of $250,000, it was announced yesterday by Mr. Maximillian Moss, president of the New York City Board of Education and chairman of the Hebrew chair endowment fund.

"This will be the first time in the history of American higher education that a university will endow such a chair in perpetuity," Mr. Moss said. "It means that students will be guaranteed the opportunity to obtain a Bachelor's, Master's or Ph.D. degree in Hebrew language and culture or Jewish education as long as the University is in existence," he explained.

BONUS SEEKER KIDNAPS BABY

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Denise Denouque, 24, was in Lille gaol today after confessing to the police that she kidnapped a three-months-old child on Friday to draw a young wife's first-child bonus of 60,000 francs (IL.-120).

Denise got a pregnancy certificate from a doctor nine months ago and drew a series of pre-natal state allowances, the police said. As time went by she stuffed stockings, sweaters and finally night-dresses into her skirts. Recently she left her flat telling neighbours she was going into a clinic.

Yesterday she saw the child Bernadette Minne, sleeping in her pram outside a Lille store and took her to a registrar's office. But the clerk was a family man and when Mme. Denouque said the baby had been born in December, he decided Bernadotte looked "a little too old." He called the police and Mme. Denouque broke down and confessed.

"I wasn't going to keep the baby," she said. "All I wanted was the allowance."

Greek Patriarch Ill

Monsignor Timotheus, the Greek Orthodox Patriarch in Jerusalem, is ill in the Augusta Victoria Hospital on Mt. Scopus, Radio Ramallah reports. King Abdullah's personal physician is attending the Patriarch.

Jet Engine Inventor Due in Israel

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Speculation as to the purpose of Sir Frank Wittles' imminent visit to Israel remains rife, after the famous British inventor of the jet engine, and world renowned pilot, failed to arrive as scheduled by B.O.A.C. plane yesterday.

Both the British Air Attache, Wing Commander J. A. O'Neil, and Israel Air Force sources have denied that the visit has any military significance. Wing Commander O'Neil told *The Post* tonight that the trip was part of a general tour of Middle East airfields.

Government sources have not been officially informed of Sir Frank's intended visit, and it is believed that his tour is for the purpose of determining the potential use of various airfields for future civilian jet transport.

B.O.A.C. officials, who are arranging accommodation for Sir Frank, told *The Post* that they did not know the purpose of his visit. He has been unavoidably delayed and is expected next week, they said.

AUTHOR IN COURT

TEL AVIV, Tuesday, (ITIM). —Mr. Yosef Ulitzky, the journalist and author, appeared in the District Court here today, where his request for a restraining order to prevent the publication of further editions of his book "From Riots to War" is being heard.

The plaintiff claims that he was granted the copyright on any further editions by the publishers, and that a second edition has already been put out without his being compensated.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON TUESDAY

Bulbul, Tur., Sand, Barrels.
Kotka, Fin., Gen. Cargo.
Vingaland, Sw., Loads Citrus.
Abbazia, It., Passengers, Gen. Cargo.
General Rivera, Lib., Phosphate.
Salvore, It., Wood.
Yaffo, Is., Gen. Cargo.
Kedmah, Is., Gen. Cargo.
Venetian, Br., Gen. Cargo.
Exiona, U.S., Gen. Cargo, Mail.
Herakles, Fin., Fodder, Gen. Cargo.
Commodore Grant, Br., Gen. Cargo.
St. Anthony, Br., Gen. Cargo.
Ascona, Hond., Sea-Grass.
Hadar, Is., Waiting to load Citrus.
Pine Ridge, Hond., Rice.

ANCHORED IN HAIFA BAY

Southern Island — British
Borealis — Danish
Palermo — British

DEPARTURES IN PAST 24 HRS.

Sagoland — Swedish

SHIPS EXPECTED

Date	Ships	Cargo
16	Hellenic Chrisoula	Gen. Cargo.
16	Oyrnafjall	Gen. Cargo, Mail.
16	Scio	Cotton-Seeds.
16	Gavriel	Raisins.
17	Anissund	Frozen Fish.
18	Fandango	Frozen Fish.
20	San Angela	Wheat, Soybean.
20	Dimitrov	Beans, Paraffin, Gen. Cargo, Wood.
20	Eugenie	Wood, Household-Effects, Gen. Cargo.
23	Marit Maersk	Barley.
28	Espera	Barley.
28	Kare	Cattle.

SHIPS IN JAFFA PORT ON TUESDAY

Tilia Gorthon, Sw., Loading Citrus
No loading today owing to stormy sea.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 2-5: Prints from the Eliel Collection; also other recent acquisitions; Exhibit of the Month; Japanese Colour Woodcut; Bezalel Museum.
10-1; 4-7: Water Colours by Joseph Kossonogi; also Permanent Exhibition by Jerusalem Artists; Artists' House.

TEL AVIV

3-8: Gouaches by Eliahu Sigard and Hanukka Lamps; Tel Aviv Museum.
8 p.m.: "Call Me Ciomka:" Chamber Theatre; Mograbi Hall.

HAIFA

8 a.m.-5.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 2 Hassan Shukri Street.

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
EDEN: The Big Hangover.
EDISON: That Dangerous Age.
ORION: Roseanna McCoy.
SEMADAR: Sahara (6.30 & 8.30 p.m.).
STUDIO: Letter from an Unknown Woman.
ZION: Whiplash.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Yosef, Maine Yehuda, 3761; Rehavia, Rehov Ussishkin, Rehavia, 4703.
TEL AVIV: Abramski, 42 Allenby 3626; Shore, 26 Ahad Ha'am, 4126; Bilu, 21 Bilu, 4063; Emmanuel, 63 Ben Yehuda; Trufa, Givat Aliya, 80224; Aliya, 2 Yehalom, Ramat Gan; Parshel, 13 Rashi, Nahlat Ganim.
HAIFA: Schmidt, 45 Herzl, 4041; Mashiach, Iraq opp. Hadar Cinema, 3058; Bialik, Kiryat Bialik.

SUPREME COURT CASES TODAY

Before the President & Justices Assaf & Agranat: (H.C.16/50): Igra Ramah (rep. by Nochimovsky) v. T.A. Municipality (rep. by Olshansky).

Before the President & Justices Olshan & Witkin: (H.C.109/50): A. Salzman Ltd. (rep. by Satner) v. Zur, Office in Charge of Price Reduction.

STOCK MARKET
TEL AVIV

JAN. 16.	Buyers	Sellers
Government Loans		
2% due 31.12.53	100	100½
Pop. 49-69 (IL.10)	99½	100½
ditto (IL.20)	99½	100½
Bk. Leumi Le'Israel		
"A" Ord. Sh.	135	—
3% Nat. Loan		
1948/53 (IL.10)	123½	123½
(large)	128	128½
A.P.B. Invest.		
4% Debs. 39/59	97½	98½
4% Debs. 51/71	97½	98½
4% Debs. 60/73	98½	99½
4½% Pref. Shares	97½	98½
Gen. Mortg. Bk.		
4% Debs. 48/63	92½	93½
6% Debs. 49/64	93½	94½
4% Debs. 58/68	91½	92½
4% Debs. 55/60	92½	93½
6% Pref. Shares	107½	108½
Ord. Shares	109	110
Bituv Debs.		
4% 46/58	93½	94½
4½% 52/66 reg.	92½	93½
Nir Ltd.		
4% Debs. 37/51	97½	—
4% Debs. 49/59	—	92
5% Pref. Shares	79½	80½
4% Pref. Shares	73½	74½
4½% Pref. Sh. reg.	73	74
Pass Debs.		
4% 42/62	88	89
4% 40/64	89½	90½
Isra Ltd.		
5% Debs. 46/51	96½	97½
P.L.D.C.		
6% Pref. Shares	108½	109½
Ord. Shares	150	—
Afr.-Pal. Inv.		
Ord. Shares	125½	—
Rassco		
4% Debs. 41/55	98½	97½
4% Debs. 47/61	91	—
4% Debs. 56/63	84½	85½
Mort.-Sav. Bk.		
5% Debs. 59/69	96½	97½
Potash		
6% Pref. Shares	—	16/6
"A" Ord. Shares	16/-	16/9
Pal. Electric		
Ord. Sh. (Ldn.)	20/3	—
Israel Issue	22/-	—
Jer. Electric		
Ord. Sh. (Ldn.)	20/-	20/9
Mekoroth Ltd.		
5% Pref. Sh.	81	82
Ata		
4% "B" Pref. Sh.	103½	104½
4% "C" Pref. Sh.	102½	103½
Ord. Sh. "B" reg.	127½	128½
Knor		
5½% Pref. Sh. reg.	85½	86½
S.A. Bhayan		
Ord. Shares	—	100½
Pal. Ctr. Trade		
5% Pref. Shares	81	82
Hamashbir Hin.		
4½% Debs. 47/61	96	97
"Atid" Navig.		
5% Debs. 50/69	78½	79½
Pal. Bearer Bd.		
Ser. 1	10,325	10,425
Ser. 2, 3	10,400	10,500

IL. Drops in Geneva

The Israel Pound dropped from 5.25 Swiss fr. to 4.90 on the Geneva exchange last Friday. Other quotations on Jan. 12 were:

United States (dollar)	4.28½
Great Britain (pound)	10.70
France (100 fr.)	1.10½
West Germany (100 mk.)	77.00
Belgium (100 fr.)	8.32
Holland (100 gulden)	103.00
Sweden (100 kronor)	66.00
Italy (100 lire)	0.59
Austria (100 sch.)	12.70
Czechoslovakia (100 cr.)	1.00
Norway (100 kr.)	42.50
Egypt (Eg. pound)	10.65
Israel (Isr. pound)	4.90
Palestine (Pal. pound)	4.79
Spain (100 pesetas)	8.17½
Portugal (100 escudos)	14.50
Argentina (100 pesos)	25.25
Brazil (100 cruzeiros)	13.30
Turkey (Turk. pound.)	1.12

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MUSICAL instruments, sheet music, records, pianos, bought at highest prices. Music Universum "Ahlelah," 6 Prophet St., Haifa.

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MISCELLANEOUS

PERMANENTS — hair dyeing. "Marcel-Charlotte," 11 Prophet St., opposite "Armon" Cinema, Haifa.

3 U.S. JOCKEYS WIN OVER $1m.

Three American jockeys won over $1m. in 1950 with veteran Eddie Arcaro again leading, according to the Annual Turf Review. Arcaro's wins brought in $1,410,180 last year to bring his 19 year total to $10,306,566.

Joe Culmone, sensational Sicilian born youngster riding his first year in America, took in $1,058,531 (about £378,000), while British-born Johnny Longden, now entering his 25th year as a jockey, won $1,048,290 (about £375,800). Longden rode 224 winners in 1950 to bring his lifetime record to 3,675 nearly 1,000 more than Arcaro.

In the opening match of their Malta tour the Siracusa soccer team beat a strong Malta XI, the Hamrun Spartans, 4-0 at Valetta.

Benefit for Al Brown

By K. Weatherby, A.P. Sports Correspondent

A group of prizefighters and fans danced last Friday night in New York for the benefit of Al Brown, once bantamweight boxing champion of the world and a "free-handed" spender on the boulevard of the world's Capitals.

Brown, who once earned over $300,000 in the ring was not present, as the 48-year-old negro, crippled from a stroke of parlysis now lies in hospital, barely able to talk.

Once known in Copenhagen, Madrid, Paris, London, Manchester, Cardiff, Liverpool, Marseilles, Milan, Antwerp, Brussels, Oslo, and almost anywhere in Europe where a suitable opponent could be found, Brown has lived in obscurity the last few years.

He was born in Panama, the son of an American negro and a Panamian mother.

Although he is nearly six feet tall, he never had trouble making the bantamweight division. He looked like a skeleton at the peak of his boxing career. His phenomenal reach of 76 inches was his greatest ring asset. He had a hard right hand punch and bantams had trouble getting inside his protective left.

After coming to New York he became a quick success. He made his first trip to France in 1927, beating Eugene Criqui, former featherweight champion, but losing to Andre Routis. Brown also knocked out Edouard Mascart. In 1929 Brown won a decision over Vidal Gregoria in 15 rounds in New York for the world title. He held it until June 1, 1935 when he lost a 15-round verdict to Baltazar Sangchili in Barcelona. Brown fought 35 times in Paris.

Table Tennis Preparations

Trial games as part of the preparations of the Israel team to take part in the World Table Tennis Championships at Vienna in March have been held at the Tel Aviv Maccabi North club last week. Star Maccabi and Hapoel players took part.

These included Finkelstein, a member of the host club, former member of Poland's team, who has already participated in the world championships and represented Israel in international games; Kraus, of Petah Tikva Hapoel, who represented Hungary in international matches; Fineberg, of Jerusalem Maccabi, who has represented both Latvia and Israel in international games and was a member of Israel's team at the World Championships in Budapest last year; Steinharz, of Jaffa Hapoel, a recent immigrant, with a fine record in the sport in Poland and who has proved himself a player of top calibre already in Israel.

In the trials held, Steinharz, Kraus and Fineberg each registered five wins and one loss, Fineberg, three wins and two losses, Klein, one win and five losses with Halevi not winning one game. Participants also included Miss Lipnik, who represented Israel in the Third Maccabiah. A former member of Yugoslavia's team at the World Championships, in Stockholm in 1949, Miss Lipnik is a performer of high standard and is certain to be selected for Israel's side at Vienna. According to present plans, it is planned to despatch a team of four men and two women players.

In the last World Championships, Israel finished in eighth place among the 17 nations participating. Among her results were: Wins: Denmark, 5-0; Italy, 5-4; France, 5-1; Holland, 5-3; Yugoslavia, 4-2; Austria, 5-3. Losses: Belgium, 2-5; and Switzerland, 2-5.

A.A.U. Mile Record

Alfred Wilt, of New York, last week sprinted to a new record of 4:12.2 in the mile-run in the Metropolitan A.A.U. track championships. Wilt came back less than two hours later to win the three-mile event. The fleet F.B.I. agent was timed at 14:34.9.

WIRELESS PROGRAMMES

TEL AVIV: 43.9, 32.8 & 322 M.; JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 6, 8.30 and 10.25 p.m.; English: 2 and 10.15 p.m. **Apple Programme** (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 3 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. **6.55** Exercises. **6.45** Musical Clock (R). **7.45** Melodies. **7.45** Oriental Music: E. Aharon. **8.30** Close Down.

10.00 a.m. Morning Concert (R). **10.50** Piano Duets (R). **11.00** Concert Hall: Cello Concerto (Elgar); Variations on a Theme by Mozart (Reger). **12.00 N.** Break for Music (R). **12.20** Programme for the Working Women. **12.30** Programme for Hospitals: Jazz (R). **1.00 Soldiers' Programme (R). 1.45** Housewives' Corner. **2.15** Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. **4.30** Siesta (R). **4.34** Dance Music (R). **5.00** Piano Recital: Hanoch Gruenfeld. **5.30** Chess Corner. **5.45** Accordion Recital: Efraim Weil. **6.15** "News from the Arab World," by M. Mapeliuk. **6.30** Children's Hour. **7.00** Light Music (R) **7.45** Bible Reading. **8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45** "With the Army to Immigrants' Settlements." **9.00** "Lord Arthur's Crime" by O. Wilde, adapted by M. Obad. **9.30** Chamber Music: H. G. Roehr & Y. Menge. **10.30** Central Request Programme. **11.15** Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (31.5 M.): **7.00 p.m. Yiddish; 7.30 p.m. Ladino; 7.40 p.m. French; 8.00 p.m. Rumanian; 8.15 p.m. Hungarian.**

Kol Zion Lagola (31.5 M.): **12.00** Newsreel; **12.45** "The Hagana": by D. Landman.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.32 and 24.92 M.): 6.30 News, 6.40 News Talk, 6.45 This Week's Tune, 6.48 London Letter.

ARMY PROGRAMMES (215, 224 & 44.6 M.): 6.30 pm. Programme Announcements. 6.33 Vocal Recital: Tova Firon. 7.00 Sketch. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 "The Soldier as a Civilian," by D. Rivlin. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Interlude. 8.55 Tomorrow's "Bamachaneh." 9.00 Symphony Concert. 10.00 Close Down.

CONCERT
Jerusalem Workers Orchestra
Wed., Jan. 24, at 9 p.m.
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Tickets available at Room 38, Histadrut Bldg.

Theatron Musicali
Gipsy Baron
Tonight, Jan. 17, at 9 "Armon" Theatre, Haifa
Tomorrow, Jan. 18, at 9 p.m. "Armon" Hall, Haifa
Monday, Jan. 22, at 8 "Ohel Shem" Hall, Tel Aviv
Tickets:
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On Jan. 22 & 23 Rama Hall, Ramat Gan. 2 performances.
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HAIFA: "Armon," Wednesday, Jan. 24, 9 p.m. Tickets: Ginsburg, 25 Herzl St.
JERUSALEM: "Zion," Wednesday, Feb. 7, 9 p.m. Tickets: Cahana

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Today's POST BAG

THE WEATHER

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	10	4	9	8
Haifa	53	10	19	17
Nathanya	—	—	19	18
Hakirya	48	9	18	18
Lydda Airport	55	9	18	18
Jerusalem	46	6	12	12
Beersheba	—	—	16	17

Forecast: Cloudy with occasional showers in the North. Mainly partly cloudy in the rest of the country.

A) Humidity at 8 pm. yesterday
B) Minimum temp. yesterday.
C) Maximum temp. yesterday.
D) Maxim. temp. expected today

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23 passengers arrived on the s.s. Abbazia yesterday.

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Two members of the secretariat of Kibbutz Gvulot were charged in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court yesterday with applying for an allowance for a woman member under the pretence that she was married to a soldier. According to the charge, the woman received IL.172 from the Soldiers' Rehabilitation Department of the Ministry of Defence. The accused were released on bail of IL.100 each, pending the hearing of the case.

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Yusef Abu Ghosh and **Reuven Greenberg**, a Jerusalem merchant, yesterday sued the newspaper "Hader" for IL.2,000 on a charge of defamation of character. The plaintiffs charged that several articles that appeared last month were libellous.

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The Association of Confectionery manufacturers in Jerusalem is distributing 4,000 packets of sweets to new immigrant children in the Jerusalem and Corridor district. Teachers and others responsible for immigrant children are requested to approach their nearest sweets store where arrangements will be made for the supply of the gift packets.

2 Kibbutzim to Face Profiteering Counts

TEL AVIV, Tuesday, (ITIM). —Two kibbutzim, Manara, in Upper Galilee, and Hama'apil, in the Sharon, will be brought before the Anti-Profiteering Court here next month on a charge of selling building materials to a merchant who was found guilty by the same Court here today of buying the material.

The part allegedly played by the kibbutzim in the sale was revealed here today during the trial of Israel Adler, 39, a building materials merchant. He was sentenced to 18 days' imprisonment and fined IL.500 on charges of unlawfully buying nine tons of building iron and 1,000 aluminium canisters.

The charge also included irregular book-keeping and wilfully destroying certain records. Yosef Genis, Adler's partner, was sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment and fined IL.500, while the middleman who arranged the sale, Moshe Feigenbaum, of Haifa, was sentenced to 12 days' imprisonment and fined IL.150.

The material was ordered confiscated.

According to the Prosecutor, Mr. M. Kornguld, the iron was sold by Kibbutz Manara, and the aluminium by Hama'apil. They obtained the material for immigrants' buildings and needs, he said. During the investigation the kibbutzim claimed that they had negotiated with Feigenbaum for a barter deal involving roof tiles and a different kind of building iron, Mr. Kornguld said.

ANTI-T.B. WORKERS WIN BACK PAY

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The strike of the employees of all Anti-Tuberculosis League institutions scheduled for tomorrow was averted yesterday, when the League's management agreed to their demands that pay rises would be made retroactive as from October 1, 1949.

Omsim, Porters Agree On New Pay

HAIFA, Tuesday.—An agreement was reached today between the port workers of the Omsim Porterage Company and the management for a wage increase of about 22 per cent on contract work, effective from November 15, 1950.

Omsim workers had declined to work on the basis of last year's contract after their colleagues of the Savar Stevedoring Company obtained a pay rise recently.

Last Thursday, the Omsim workers proposed a daily pay basis, which the management rejected. Citrus loading was suspended for a day, and was resumed after the intervention of the Haifa Labour Council.

Ration News

JERUSALEM — Frozen Sole: distribution on Shin-Gimel 17 ends today. Tomatoes: 250 grams, 226, distribution in zone 10. Carrots: 250 grams, 226, distribution in zones 3-5.

TEL AVIV DISTRICT — Frozen Sole: 150 grams, Shin-Gimel 22; visitors, 41; tourists, 18; distribution in zones 1-5. Carrots: 150 grams, Tav 125, distribution in zones 5-7. Tomatoes: 250 grams, Tav 250, distribution in zones 6-8. Chicken: distribution to ill persons, Het Aleph 3, 750 grams; Het Bet 3, 600 grams; Het Dalet 3, 500 grams, distribution in villages ends Friday; in zones 1-5, 500 grams, distribution ends Monday.

First Capital Building To Be Ready This Year

POST Reporter

While the uncertain financial situation makes it impossible to predict when the capital's buildings will be finished in Jerusalem, the first four-story office building is scheduled to be completed this year.

Mr. S. Arazi, Director of Hakirya offices, told the press yesterday that the first building would contain 200 rooms and would be built in such a manner as to permit the addition of two more stories if needed. The four-story structure will cost IL.300,000.

Two More in '52

Preparatory work for the construction of two similar office buildings near the first one, he said, will also be finished this year, with construction scheduled for 1952. The preparatory work for the two buildings and for construction in other areas will cost IL.400,000.

The Hakirya area will be located on 2,000 dunams of land and will be bounded on the north by Agrippa's Road, on the east by Rehavia, on the south by the Monastery of the Cross, and on the west by Bet Hakerem. Its centre will be the Knesset building. To the north a large square will be laid out in honour of fallen soldiers.

The Prime Minister's office will be located to the west of the square, while the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will be erected to the east. Another Ministry building will be constructed to the north of the square. The presidential mansion will be built to the south. A park of about 60 dunams will separate the Knesset and the President's residence.

Pools for Decoration

A block of seven buildings to house various other Ministries will be set up to the southwest of the Knesset. Decorative pools will form a part of the plan, and will be available as storage pools in an emergency.

Noting that the overall plan had been designed for a national population of 2,500,000, he declared that sufficient reserve areas existed to meet future population increases.

The plan for the Hakirya was designed by Messrs. A.L. Mansfeld and M. Weinrob of Haifa, while the advisory architect is Mr. J. Klarwein, of Jerusalem. The contractors are Feitelson and Haliffa, of Jerusalem.

Return of Homes To Bahais Debated

An amendment designed to enable Bahai property owners in Haifa to return to their houses, which are at present occupied by immigrants, caused a heated discussion in the Knesset yesterday. The amendment had been introduced by Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan who said that the Custodian of Absentee Property would be authorized to order the present tenants to vacate property if this was necessary in the interests of the State.

The Bahais as a group had always been friendly, Mr. Kaplan said. Some Haifa Bahais had left the town in 1948, and when they returned refused to accept alternative housing proposed by the Government as immigrants had been permitted to occupy the Bahai property.

Key Money Problem

The Government was also anxious to stop the practice of tenants allocated housing by the Custodian taking key-money from new arrivals. Some 1,200 such cases are known to the authorities.

The discussion was mainly on theoretical issues. According to Mr. Z. Wahrhaftig (Religious Bloc), the Government was not entitled to claim rights denied to a private landlord, who was not permitted to eject his tenant. Taking a similar stand, Mr. Y. Klebanov (General Zionists) objected to a clause in the Custodian Law permitting a raise in rent, as this also was forbidden to private landlords. The discussion cut across party lines, and one of the fiercest attacks on Mr. Kaplan last night was that of Mr. D. Rav Hai (Mapai).

Adler, Draper Arrival Heralded By Hatikva on Harmonica

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — Stepping from the El Al plane which had brought him from a European tour, Mr. Larry Adler, world-famous harmonica player, took his instrument from his pocket and played "Hatikva."

His partner, Paul Draper, international tap-dancer, did not join the act, and stood by. Both American artists will make a three-week tour through Israel. Mr. Adler teamed up with Mr. Draper ten years ago, and since then, has risen to the rank of a serious concert performer, for whom Jean Berger wrote a special concerto for harmonica and orchestra, and Milhaud a special suite.

While Larry Adler visited this country in 1943 when he was on tour with Jack Benny, this is Mr. Draper's first visit. Born in Florence of a vocalist father and author mother, he studied dancing at various American ballet schools. He now dances to compositions by modern composers as well as to music by Bach and Brahms.

Nine U.S. Newsmen To Tour Israel

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA) —Nine newspapermen representing dailies from New York to San Francisco will leave tomorrow on a survey trip of Israel to report on immigration, settlement and rehabilitation programmes supported by United Jewish Appeal funds, it was announced by Mr. Edward Warburg, General Chairman of the U.J.A.

The newspapermen will spend three weeks in Israel during which time they will inspect reception camps and work villages for immigrants from Europe, North Africa and the Near East.

Making the trip aboard the T.W.A. Constellation are George Carroll, (New York "Journal-American"); Harry B. Wilson (St. Louis "Globe-Democrat"); Otto Zaumer, (Boston "Globe"); Grace Davidson, (Boston "Post"); Dickson Preston, (Cleveland "Press"); Max Wiener, (Newark "News"); David Karno, (Chicago "Sun-Times"); Richard Pearce, (San Francisco "Examiner") and George Cassidy, (Brooklyn "Eagle"). They are being accompanied by Mr. H. Zinder.

Histadrut, Hoteliers Meet on Pay Issue

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Representatives of the Tel Aviv district Histadrut and the Catering Association held their second meeting today on the demands of the hotel and restaurant workers. Another meeting will take place on Friday.

Fair progress was made, according to a Histadrut delegate.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO STRIKE TOMORROW

Students of the Hebrew University will strike tomorrow in protest against the University's decision to eliminate fall examinations and to require all students to stand for examinations at the end of the spring semester. The resolution was taken at a meeting of the Students' Organization in Ratisbonne College last night.

Speakers at the meeting claimed that the University's decision, which was published two weeks ago, would make it impossible for working students to continue their studies.

A committee of five was chosen to present the demand that the decision be withdrawn.

If the University does not respond, a second meeting will be called next Wednesday.

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State Losing On Amusement Tax

The Ministry of Finance should not be authorized to grant full exemption from Entertainment Tax to any performer, but taxes should be reduced in some cases, Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan told the Knesset last night. Performances in villages should have the same status as those given in towns in respect of entertainment tax.

The public in this country was entertainment-conscious, Mr. Kaplan said. In Tel Aviv, 700,000 people visit the cinema each month, and the position is similar in other parts of the country, except Jerusalem. Exemption from entertainment tax was frequently asked, and the State was "losing money."

The abolition of exemptions was opposed by four women members of the Knesset, representing Mapai, Mapam, Wizo and the General Zionists, who claimed it would hamper charity concerts. Mr. E. Carmeli (Mapai) said foreign artists should not receive an exemption — and earned a rebuke by the Speaker.

The Knesset Finance Committee approved a Government guarantee of a loan of $5m. from "Amun," an American company to a Government Housing Company. The committee also discussed a proposal of the Minister of Finance to guarantee the Jewish Agency a IL.1m. loan for the transfer of immigrants to ma'abarot.

Judge Critical Of Army Drivers

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM). —Army drivers were criticized here today by Magistrate R. Loewenberg, who sentenced a former Army driver to one month in prison for attacking another driver during a traffic jam here 18 months ago.

The accused is Avraham Rahavi, 23. Mr. Loewenberg criticized Army drivers who took it upon themselves to "direct traffic with their fists."

Three Arrested After Search in Village

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — In a sweeping search through Kfar Salameh last night police arrested three persons suspected of firing on night watchmen in recent burglary attempts. —

Quantities of jewellery were found in their possession, part of which has already been reportedly identified.

In Jaffa last night, jewellery valued at IL.1,200 was stolen from a store.

POLLING OFFICIAL FINED

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — For taking home with him the voting statement of his district instead of bringing it immediately for counting at the former Knesset building on the evening of the Municipal elections two months ago, Mr. Zvi Magen, chairman of a Jaffa voting station, was fined IL.5 by the Magistrate's Court here today.

The accused said that there was no transportation to Tel Aviv after midnight when the voting was over.

Both the prosecutor, Mr. Natan Kenet, and Mr. Yehuda Frankel, chairman of the Tel Aviv Election Board, said that there was no malice or fraud in the offence. The accused, who was charged with "interfering with election procedure," had delivered the voting statement to the Knesset Building the following morning.

The Magistrate, Mr. E. Mani, lightened the sentence but stressed that a person undertaking such an important responsibility must see it through to the end.

Dr. J. Lewinthal appeared for the defendant.

Hawari Drops Appeal

An Arab lawyer from Nazareth, Mohammad Nimr Hawari, dropped his appeal to the Supreme Court in Jerusalem yesterday for an *order nisi* against the Government to show cause why he had not received clothing points after the points were issued to him. Clothing and footwear points recently were distributed to all Arab residents in Israel.

Mr. Hawari was the head of the Arab semi-military Nejada organization, and an opponent of the Mufti under the Mandate. He speaks fluent Hebrew.

Two mules valued at IL.300 were stolen from Mekor Haim in Jerusalem on Monday. Footprints of two men were found leading over the border... **Five goats** valued at IL.200 were also stolen from Sheikh Bader.

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Twins Prefer Prison To Army Service

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—For failing to register for military service the twin brothers, Avraham Bek and Nissan Bek, 24, of 16 Rehov Ram, were each sentenced to nine months' imprisonment by the Magistrate's Court here today.

The Court did not accept their plea that they were Polish citizens and intended to return to their homeland. They had been in Israel for 16 years, and had not joined the Polish forces at any time.

When the Magistrate, Mr. I. Shilo, told the accused that he would lighten their sentences provided they would join the service, the two declined.

500 Tons' Iron For Industry

Permits for the import of 500 tons of unprocessed iron wire have been authorized by the Treasury, the Ministry of Industry and Trade announced yesterday. It is hoped that it will arrive soon.

The Ministry stated that applications for a total of 1,500 tons had been received from metal manufacturers, but that the shortage of foreign currency had prevented their being granted.

The Ministry said it had requested manufacturers to make their applications some time ago when it would have been possible to obtain the wire from Holland under the trade agreement with that country. Because of the delay in the submission of applications, however, the opportunity had been lost.

Four Cross Lines To Testify at Inquiry

Four Arabs, including two children, crossed the lines at Mandelbaum Gate yesterday to testify at the military inquiry in Jerusalem of an Israeli soldier who is being detained in connection with the killing of two Arab children last November at the border area near Bab el Wad.

The witnesses, who were taken by car to the place of inquiry, consisted of Dr. Salim Ghanam, Mohammad Ali Alayam and his children, Abdul Hamid and Hadiyah, Abdul Fattah.

Psychiatry Examination Sought for Mizrahi

Defence counsel for Yitzhak Mizrahi, who is being tried for murder together with his brother Ya'akov, yesterday asked the Jerusalem District Court to have his client examined by a psychiatrist.

Mapam Man Heads Tiv'on Council

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The 11-member Local Council of Tiv'on yesterday elected as its chairman the Mapam candidate, Mr. Levi Gruenspan, Director of the Ministry of Agriculture for the northern area. He was supported by three Histadrut and three Mapam members.

PRIMUS KILLS GIRL

Margalit Weiss, 16, died yesterday in hospital in Jerusalem several hours after she was burned when a primus exploded in her parents' home at 5 Shderot Chen in the Katamon quarter.

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U.S. Accord on Korea Truce Unites Nations at Lake Success

By Kenneth Harris, Cabled to The POST

LAKE SUCCESS, Tuesday (OFNS).— There was unity instead of disunity at Lake Success this past week. You can read it on people's faces before you hear it in their speeches. The reason is a change in United States policy. A week ago, Mr. Warren Austin had been splitting the U.N. by pressing for a resolution condemning Chinese "aggression" and demanding diplomatic and economic reprisals; this week he has ranged United States support behind the offer of a new cease-fire plan to the Chinese Government.

The plan lists five "principles of negotiation" — an immediate cease-fire, with safeguards against its being used for mounting a further offensive, consideration of further steps, withdrawal of all armed forces and free elections for all Korea, provision for the rehabilitation of Korea, establishment of a Big-Power conference, including Communist China, to settle all Far East problems.

With the U.S. agreed upon this plan, the great majority of the United Nations fell in behind it. Credit for this unity is due particularly to three delegates; Mr. A. Eban, of Israel, worked out the principles on which the plan is based; Sir Benegal Rau, of India, has urged it upon members of the group of 12 Arab and Asiatic nations; and Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian Foreign Minister, has achieved the most difficult job of all—winning the agreement of the United States on the one hand and of the Commonwealth countries on the other.

Attempted Solution

The plan would have been a great achievement if only because it restored unity to the U.N. But it is also a great step forward as an attempt to solve the Korean problem. The Chinese said earlier that they could not consider a cease-fire which did not provide for withdrawal of foreign troops, surrender of Formosa, and their membership of the U.N. This plan offers a cease-fire, conditional on the withdrawal of foreign troops—the main Chinese demand—and on discussion of the other two. The only conditions the plan counter-imposes are withdrawal of Chinese troops and the creation of an independent and unified Korea — conditions to which the Chinese have never objected.

Even if the Chinese refuse the plan, its submission will have been worth while. Many members had misgivings that the first cease-fire plan had not gone far enough. The Chinese could argue that since it avoided reference to the well-known Chinese claims of Formosa and membership of the U.N. and simply called for a cease-fire, the plan was a trap to lull them into a false sense of security while the U.N. prepared to reinforce their armies in Korea. The fact that the U.N. is now on record as having gone the farthest possible to meet the Chinese demands removed the misgivings of Britain, France, the Commonwealth and most Asiatic nations, and reunited the U.N.

How long will the new-found unity last? Even if Peking accepts the plan, how far can the U.N. go to meet what many nations consider legitimate Chinese claims when U.S. public opinion is not willing to surrender Formosa and is disposed to regard accepting the Chinese in the U.N. as "rewarding the aggressor"? If Peking rejects the plan, will the U.N. agree on branding the Chinese as "aggressors" and acting against them to the full limit of U.N. resources, as most Americans and many people outside America now wish?

The new cease-fire plan can not answer these questions. But whether it succeeds or fails, it will give the peoples of the free world more time to ponder the implications of the answers to these questions and a renewed sense that whatever is done, all must d it together.

Artza Sails to France After 2-Day Vigil

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The s.s. Artza continued her journey to Marseilles yesterday, after a two-day interruption during which she towed the Greek freighter "Georgios G.," which was seriously damaged in a heavy storm south of Crete.

A Greek tugboat arrived on the scene, and took over from the s.s. Artza, which was standing watch near the disabled vessel.

An Examination for Guides will be held shortly by the Government Tourist Department. Applications should be addressed to the Government Tourist Department, Hakirya, Rehov 7, not later than February 1.

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Cables in Brief

INDIAN Premier Nehru and Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the U.N., will confer in Paris tomorrow on the international situation, a U.N. spokesman told Reuter.

KOIRALA, President of the Nepali National Congress, yesterday called for the cessation of all operations by Congress volunteers in Nepal and appealed to "everyone to assist in the restoration of peace."

SMALLPOX — Over 1,600 have died from smallpox in Calcutta since November 11, when an epidemic broke out. During the week ending January 13, official figures gave the number of deaths as 253, a drop of nearly 100 on the preceding week.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN yesterday formally nominated Mr. Stanton Griffis to be Ambassador to Spain, resuming the full diplomatic relations which lapsed five years ago.

COLOMBIAN ZIONISTS

BOGOTA, Tuesday (INA) — Dr. Salvador Rosental (Independent) has been named to represent Colombian Zionists at the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem this summer, it was announced here. Sr. M. Lerner (Mapai) and Sr. G. Kaplan (Hashomer Hatzair) are alternate delegates.

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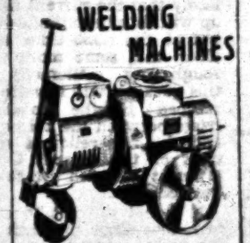
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GENERAL RESERVE	1,324.000	
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	1,000.829	101,655.829
INSURANCE FUND		
Fire, Accident, Marine and Miscellaneous Insurance		68,336.323
CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS		
Provision for Outstanding Claims	29,479.702	
Creditors		
Other Insurance Companies 22,409.612		
Agents and Clients 3,470.501		
Subsidiary Company 200.000		
Sundry Creditors and Provisions 14,263.313	39,343.167	79,822.869
		IL.251,782.021

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INVESTMENTS AND LOANS		
Securities, at cost (of which IL.1,400 represent shares in Subsidiary Company)	14,516.662	
Loans against Mortgages	17,116.521	31,633.183
CURRENT ASSETS		
Due from Other Insurance Companies IL.13,823.413		
Premiums Receivable 28,156.079		
Sundry Debtors and Debit Balances 6,922.585	50,902.076	
Cash at Bankers and in Hand	17,894.271	76,729.847
OFFICE FURNITURE AND FITTINGS, at cost	2,434.015	
Less—Depreciation and amount written off	1,434.015	970.000
REINSURANCE		
Reinsurers' share in Insurance Fund	56,441.303	
Reinsurers' share in Outstanding Claims	25,991.439	82,432.881
		IL.251,782.021

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AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the above Balance Sheet and annexed Profit and Loss Account and have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Company so far as appears from our examination thereof. The said Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account are in agreement with the books of account and, in our opinion, and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31st March, 1950 and the Profit and Loss Account gives a true and fair view of the profit, ascertained in the manner therein indicated, for the year ended on that date.

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TEL AVIV, December 31, 1950.

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YESTERDAY afternoon the Coalition parties once again met to consider the perennial crisis concerning education in the *ma'abarot*.

MOVE TO RIGHT

For the time being, the acute "crisis" is confined to the question of whether the Histadrut religious schools shall be considered to be offering religious education. It seems likely that the current flare-up will thus be extinguished, but at the same time it is clear that some more thoroughgoing settlement of this question will have to be reached if the constant crises between the religious and the non-religious sections of the present Government coalition are to be avoided.

It is not difficult to discern that since the shift to the right evinced at the municipal elections last November, a part of the Religious Bloc has been considering the wisdom of joining forces with the centre and right-wing parties instead of Mapai. In some respects this would be a move to be welcomed, for it would indicate the break-up of the religious group by distributing its adherents to the political parties to which they naturally tend, and return religious belief to the personal and intellectual sphere to which it rightly belongs. Foreseeing this development, leaders within the Religious Bloc have been anxious to find an issue which would bring back their left-wing supporters, and restore discipline and unity within the Bloc. Nothing could have served this purpose better than the education issue, and it was not surprising that it should have reappeared at this time. The real issues go deeper, however, and will not be as easily decided. It may well be that in the long run this can only be done by elections to a new Knesset. The wisdom of such a move may be questioned while the world stands precariously balanced at the edge of another war; yet for the same reason it may also be necessary to give this country a vigorous and stable government that cannot be instantly dragged into "crisis" by the tabling of a matter that has been degraded to the level of a political catch-phrase.

WE adore certainty, but cannot bear uncertainty. The sad impact of this aphorism on our lives is well described by the famous Oscar Wilde quotation, "We kill the thing we love." So slavishly do we follow the psychological line indicated by Wilde that certainties are never news for more than a minute or two, while uncertainties "crown themselves assured," and dwell in our minds and in the headlines until we have no energy left to discuss or consider anything else. There is nothing more to be said about the news of Mr. So-and-so's rise to ministerial rank, but a newspaper can boost its sales with a year-long correspondence on such a subject as, "What happens when irresistible force meets immovable object?" A main henchman of General Uncertainty is of course Brigadier Rumour, the chief delight of coffee-shop politicians and armchair strategists. Modern wars have given these wicked brass hats a new subordinate, Colonel Censor, who can do more than almost anybody else to help General Uncertainty to conduct his campaigns: in fact, he practically gives birth to Rumour in the process, especially when we get such a gem of a headline out of Korea as we did the other day (from the Daily Telegraph) — "Denial of False Rumour Stopped — Censor's Action."

RUMOURS ABROAD

MARSHALL PLAN ENDING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE

Crisis Revives Europe's Economy

By Theodore H. White

PARIS (ONA) — THE Marshall Plan is ending, having packed into three years the accomplishments it originally scheduled for four. This announcement is being held up while officials here and in Washington debate precisely how they should package this information in order to wring most political benefit from the achievement both in Congress and public opinion.

As of year's end in Paris, U.S. Marshall Plan officials believe they have succeeded, at least temporarily, in solving a problem that once appeared insoluble — that of getting peace-time Europe to live on her own resources. The fabled dollar gap which stood at seven billions when the Marshall Plan began, has narrowed now to a trifling figure. This year's American civilian aid to Europe may be as little as $200 millions. The Marshall Plan whose original cost was estimated at $17 or $18 billions may thus wind up in a few months with a three-year expenditure of only $12 to $12.5 billions.

Korea Boom

This swift change in outlook has occurred within six months or, roughly, since Korea was attacked. It has its roots fundamentally in the world's rearmament boom. The original Marshall Plan reflected a peacetime world in which American machinery, cotton, food, coal, oil were needed by Europe far beyond Europe's ability to pay. The present equilibrium reflects a world in which America needs Europe's resources, raw materials, colonies for defence just as much as Europe needs American food for survival.

Practically all the chief Marshall Plan countries are out of the woods, although the economic health of each varies according to special situations.

At the top of the list is Britain whose remarkable resurgence after her 1949 crisis reflects two major developments. The first is the phenomenal rise in productivity of British industry (an average of seven per cent a year) coupled with her export drive. The second is the vast belt of colonies and dominions Britain controls around the world, all of which produce critical raw materials for sale to America. Wool, tin, rubber, cocoa from the colonies have done as much to pull Britain through this year as autos, whisky and textiles shipped from home.

Britain's departure from the aid-rolls will take Ireland, too. Henceforward, Marshall Plan authorities believe, Ireland will not need gift dollars but will be able to earn them in London as she did in the past. Raw materials will also take Portugal off the dole, the Portuguese benefiting by the tripling of price of sisal from their African colonies.

The direct arms expenditures of America in Europe will probably lift other key countries off the aid rolls in the next few weeks.

Germany's Benefits

Germany will benefit most in the defence programme. The Germans will be relieved of the costs of the Army of Occupation and be paid in dollars for what our Army needs there. Coupled with Germany's rapidly rising exports to America — which may hit $150,000,000 next year — Germany will need no civilian aid.

Holland and Denmark will benefit directly from the U.S. Army in Europe, too. These two countries are vegetable, meat, and butter-producing lands and the four U.S. divisions expected in Europe this year will probably buy these products in dollars.

Belgium, while not benefiting directly from the arms programme, has been lifted to equilibrium by the sudden world-wide demand for her steel, glass, cement and machinery.

The two important Scandinavian Marshall Plan countries also have special, rosy situations. The Swedes are enjoying a world-wide boom in the price of their paper, paper pulp and iron ore. They will need no further help. The Norwegians have practically rebuilt their great ocean-going fleet of freighters and, with freight-rates soaring, they will earn from $50 to $75 millions net to take them out of the charity line.

Somewhat weaker and trickier are France and Italy. France needs from the U.S. a minimum of $250 millions worth of cotton, machinery and oil. Tourist earnings, the development of her oil refining industry, rising exports should make the French able to cover all but $50 or $75 millions of this need next year. The phenomenal speed with which the world has changed can be measured by the fact that, in the first year of the Marshall Plan, France got $1,300,000,000 worth of aid either in dollars or sterling.

Italy needs cotton, oil, machinery as France does, but needs American wheat also. Italy has enjoyed a slower development under the Marshall Plan than France, but she too should come within $50 millions of covering her needs next year.

Two hard-core poverty cases remain — Austria and Greece. Austria will be a drain on the Western world so long as the Soviet Union keeps it divided and its economy split. Austria may cost the U.S. $50 millions next year and as far ahead as we can see until a peace treaty is signed. Greece, with a corrupt and incompetent government, is no longer as dependent on dollars as she once was, but she has a growing deficit with other Marshall Plan countries in Europe. Greece will probably have to be financed to the tune of $50 millions next year (down from 90 million this year).

All the residual needs of the sticky cases can probably be compressed into something like $200,000,000 next year — a far cry from the original Marshall Plan appropriation of $5,000,000,000 in 1948.

Success and Failure

Success or failure of the Marshall Plan will be debated by historians, politicians, or philosophers for decades. Its successes are enormous. It has revolutionized French agriculture, given Britain the time and money to reequip her industry, kept Germany from starving. It has financed the draining of the Zuider Zee in Holland, put Turkey on the road to modernization, begun to clean the island of Sardinia of its age-long malaria so that two or three million Italians can find new homes there. Most of all its success can be measured by the world today: there is now a Western Europe which, however feeble, can begin to prepare its own defence. In 1947, Western Europe stood on the edge of revolution.

There are prodigious failures in the Marshall Plan's record, too. These failures are gravest in France and Italy. The U.S. has never really pushed its aid through to the poor, the workers, the under-privileged in these two countries, and they remain captive to Communist propaganda.

A Job for Monty?

General Eisenhower in Paris last week with Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery (centre) and Col. de Beaurepard, France (left). Express Photo

ALTHOUGH he was among the first to be called into conference by General Eisenhower in Paris last week, it is highly improbable that Field Marshal Viscount Bernard Montgomery will be appointed to any position of command responsibility in the North Atlantic Pact Organization. The conference was interpreted as a logical move by Eisenhower to gain first-hand knowledge of the extent of unification Montgomery has achieved with the Western European forces in the last two years.

No Command

However, a source close to the British War Office predicted that Eisenhower would eventually create a special post for Montgomery — probably as Inspector General of the Atlantic Pact forces. It is pointed out that this position, which carries sufficient prestige but no command responsibility, would be a solution to the ticklish problem of where to place the temperamental Britisher within the framework of the new organization.

Although it was well known during World War II that Eisenhower and Montgomery clashed frequently on strategic as well as personal grounds — a fact that is corroborated in many postwar memoirs — Eisenhower cannot easily ignore the man who remains — publicly, at least — Britain's most popular war commander. Montgomery's appointment would not only satisfy the British public; it would also employ his undoubted talent for keeping disciplinary and training standards on a high level.

Slow to Advance

During World War II the most frequent criticism of Montgomery was that he was slow to advance because he insisted on meticulously "tidying up" his forces before mounting an attack. This characteristic could be put to good use as Inspector General of peace-time forces and at the same time keep Montgomery from exerting his overpowering but not altogether ingratiating personality in the planning section at the Supreme Headquarters of the Atlantic Pact forces.

The creation of such a post would, moreover, satisfy the British War Office which, it is well known, does not share the public's adulation of Montgomery but realizes that, as a symbol of British victory, he must be given a post commensurate with his rank.

LIOZEL SHAPIRO (NANA)

Cypriots Gamble On Striking Oil Beds

By Shabo Gusbenlian, POST Correspondent

NICOSIA. — ON an isolated coastal strip of Cyprus, nine miles east of Limassol port, a group of Cypriots are digging for oil. What they are trying to locate is a seam of oil which, they believe, connects two huge reservoirs of "black gold" lying under the sea off the coast of Cyprus.

The main factor which delayed drilling — begun three years ago — was that the Government of Cyprus showed little—if any—interest or encouragement towards the enterprise, following a report submitted by the I.P.C. two years ago to the effect that there was no oil in Cyprus. I.P.C. geologists and geophysicists conducted a series of seismic tests on the island, spending £130,000. But all prospecting for oil was abandoned after two years' tests.

Against this, prospectors now digging near Limassol had the word of a 45-year-old Cyprus dowser Polivios Kyriakides, whose fame as a phenomenally successful water diviner is island-wide. He insisted there was oil within reach, and he proposed to bring it to the surface.

For the last twenty years, Kyriakides' water divining has been almost infallible. The special factor about his dowsing is that he has the knack — shared by few diviners in the world — of locating the exact spot, to a yard, of the water reservoirs he finds. He also divines their depth, volume and movement.

He first found his present petrol site twenty years ago. To make quite certain of the find, he went to Rumania in 1931, and visited Ploesti and many other oilfields, comparing his reaction to those oilfields to his reaction to the Cyprus site. He came back convinced, but it was only three years ago that he managed to persuade a handful of friends to launch the actual digging.

Before starting the dig, Kyriakides divined that no sweet water would be found on the site, and that some salt water would be traced beyond 1800 feet. Today the dig has gone down to over 2000 feet, and no sweet water has ever been encountered.

Experts At Odds

A patch of salt water has just been touched. Kyriakides says there will be another patch of salt water later on, and then it will cease before contact with oil is made.

Geologically, there are no indications of oil existing on this site, British and American experts have stated. Kyriakides admits this, but he points out that the oil he has divined does not lie beneath the soil of Cyprus — hence geological or geophysical conclusions do not apply to the narrow channel which he has traced between the two submarine reservoirs.

The prospecting company has spent £42,000 so far on drilling equipment and digging. They have decided to carry the job through at all costs. If little difficulties — like the problem of getting import licences in dollars for American rock bits — are straightened out, Kyriakides hopes to reach oil within six months or so.

HAIFA ART NOTES

Reflection of a Trend

SARA Woskoboinik's show of oils at the Artists' Association's Pavilion, Carmelia Court, falls into two parts, earlier work of about 20 years ago and examples of her present trend. The first section has an interest more for the general development of Israel art than of Mrs. Woskoboinik's own style because, looking at this work of the early thirties, its self-conscious ambition, albeit sincere in effort, we notice how far local painting has travelled since then in divesting itself of mental fuzziness and in getting down to the "hard irreducible facts" (to borrow Whitehead's phrase) of artistic creation.

Mrs. Woskoboinik has progressed towards absolute simplicity. The canvas precedes the sparse composition on which is painted. Space provides perspective or height ("Park at Tiberias" and "Tiberias Town" respectively) and the composition balances objects more than colour. The poise is in fact too perfect and seldom produces that prejudice of the artist which in the end must be the final criterion of success. In two pictures Mrs. Woskoboinik just manages to tilt her emotions out of their equilibrium — in the sweep of "Shapes on Kinneret" and the juxtaposition of the two craft in "Sailing Boat on Kinneret." Indeed her present manner of painting has more possibilities in interior decoration than in individual pictures intended to stand alone on their own merits.

H. Kfar Hamaccabi, Dec. 24.

MUSICAL DIARY

DOREEN Stanfield, the young London pianist who had her radio debut over Kol Israel on Monday, showed real talent in a programme of Beethoven and two impressionists. Beethoven's Sonata, op. 110, received a dignified interpretation; thoughtful, deep in feeling, architectonic in structure, and capped by two magnificent fugues. Debussy's "Poissons d'Or" were rendered in a sparkling manner, full of temperament, and fine as Chinese enamel-work. Ernest Moeran's "Burlesque" was reminiscent of Debussy's "Golliwog's Cake Walk." The performance was delightful: a short programme, well-chosen and impressively rendered.

FRANGO

IN TEL AVIV

ROBERT Cornman's piano recital at the Tel Aviv Museum on Saturday night revealed an intriguing but somewhat problematic talent. The extremely gifted artist, who inclines more toward Bartok, Prokofieff and Ravel than toward Bach or Chopin, displayed a style of interpretation which allows his own rather limited dynamics to dominate the works of composers whose range is far greater than his own. Moreover, as the tone-equivalents of his touch are neither very well modulated nor very colourful, his playing tends to give a tiring effect. But altogether Cornman is no doubt quite an original musician. Moussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" was perfectly performed, while Bartok's Suite, op. 14, was read even more astonishingly.

Veronica Bell

Veronica Bell, "La grande vedette internationale," at her concert at the Ohel Shem Hall on Sunday, displayed a youthful capriciousness bolstered by six truly Parisian toilettes charmingly worn, and a slightly frivolous soubrette-soprano.

Her renderings of Puccini's Manon or Mimi or Caccini's beautiful "Amarilli" were no less enjoyable than her French, Polish, or mixed French-Hebrew or Polish-Hebrew songs. In any event, Miss Bell is without question one of the most charming stage personalities to have appeared on the local boards for some time past.

Gunter Sprecher at the piano played several solo pieces and served well as accompanist.

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IN HAIFA

THE new series of Haifa's Beit Harofe chamber music concerts was opened on Saturday by the New Jerusalem String Quartet (Goren, Hayman — violin; Roehr — viola; Mehzel—cello). Haydn's String Quartet in C Major, op. 33, No. 3 (The Bird) is wonderful in its simplicity, yet delicately carved in classical dignity and charm. Max Reger's Quintet in A Major, op. 46, for clarinet and strings, is magnificent in the free movement of its voices and the blending of its chords.

The young artists were extremely effective in its performance, though part of the credit for their success should go to Mr. Hans Schmuckler's impressive clarinet performance. The programme ended with Verdi's E-Minor Quartet, which, though nicely played, fell somewhat flat in its effect after Reger's emotional work.

G. W.-B.

Readers' Letters

FERTILIZERS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — In your issue of Dec. 6 the Economic Correspondent wrote under the title "Why Jaffas Have Deteriorated": "...we shall be unable to hold our own in foreign markets if the quality of the fruit does not improve. One of the outstanding orange-growing experts, Moshe Smilansky, states the reasons for the deterioration of quality. There is a dearth of organic fertilisers. Growers therefore have to fall back on chemical fertilizer and Smilansky thinks that is the reason for the inferior taste of the fruit."

On Dec. 21, you published under "Kaplan's Report, 'Facts and Figures'": "Knesset ratification will be sought if the Export-Import Bank approves the new $35m. loan. Part of this sum would be used to plant 30,000 dunams of citrus groves and also to establish a chemical fertilizer plant."

Considering Mr. Smilansky's statement, would it not be preferable to invest a small sum of this loan to convert urban organic waste and sludge into organic fertilizers or to give subventions and loans to farmers and settlements to improve their installations for conserving farmyard manure?

Yours, etc.,
ARYEH BALDUS
Kfar Hamaccabi, Dec. 24.

CORRECTION

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — In connection with the proposed trip of Arieh Attar, Sports Director of the World Maccabi Union, reported today, we wish to point out that at the eleventh Congress of the World Maccabiah, it was decided that the Fourth Maccabiah would be held in 1953 and not in 1952, and that Arieh Attar is not the sports director of the World Maccabi Union but sports director of the "Maccabiah."

I. OPLATKA,
Secretary, World Maccabi Union
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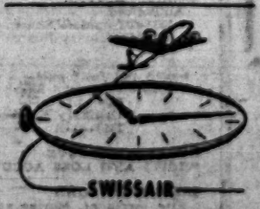

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